GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:85
ANSWERED ON:20.02.2001
PROMOTION OF URDU
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a)whether any special scheme is going on for the education and promotion of urdu language in the country;

(b) if so, the amount of assistance sanctioned to various States for promoting urdu during the last three years, State-wise; and

(c) the specific steps taken by various State Governments to promote urdu language during the said period?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT(DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI)

(a) to (c): The Government of India implementsseveral schemes for the development and promotion of Indian Languages including Urdu. Necessary institutional framework has also been created for this purpose. The National

Council for Promotion of Urdu Language, an autonomous body is working exclusively for the promotion of Urdu language. The NCPUL provides financial assistance to Urdu academies and voluntary organisations directly for undertaking Urdu promotional activities. These include the setting up of computer training centres, publication of Urdu language encyclopaedias and bilingual dictionaries and providing grants for Urdu publication. State-wise details of the financial assistance provided during the last three years are given in the Annexure. The State Governments take various steps for the promotion of the concerned language including Urdu depending on their local requirements and conditions. Some state governments have set up Urdu Academies and run Urdu medium schools.

The Government of India has introduced a Centrally Sponsored Scheme for Appointment of Urdu Teachers. Maulana Azad National Urdu University has been established at Hyderabad by the Government of India for promoting higher education through Urdu medium.

ANNEXURE REFERRED TO IN THE REPLY TO LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO.85 ANSWERED ON 20. REGARDING PROMOTION OF URDU

Details of financial assistance provided by NCPUL to Urdu Academies/Voluntary Organisations during the last three years

Sl.N	Name of the State	Rs. in Lakhs
1.	Andhra Pradesh	36.61
2.	Assam	16.00
3.	Tripura	5.00
4.	Bihar	20.48
5.	Delhi	31.56
6.	Goa	5.18
7	Gujarat	0.36
8.	Haryana	0.57
9.	Himachal Pradesh	5.00
10.	Jammu & Kashmir	30.93
11.	Karnataka	16.68
12.	Kerala	10.37

13.	Madhya Pradesh	15.12
14.	Maharashtra	22.50
15.	Manipur	8.45
16.	Orissa	5.00
17.	Rajasthan	11.29
18.	Tamil Nadu	5.59
19.	Uttar Pradesh	32.80
20.	West Bengal	21.20